

School Council @ Tranmere Park Primary School – 2022/23

This year, our school council representatives have decided that all projects they take on, will fall under 4 main categories. These are: pupils, school grounds, the community and teachers. Every individual project will focus solely on one of these categories, with the aim of enhancing provisions, well-being and links within the chosen area.

Project	Category	Pupils Involved	Details
Class Speeches	Pupils, school grounds, the community and teachers.	All School Council Members	After elections, the new school council members will deliver a mini-presentation to their own class. They will share who they are, what their role is and our new school council project categories of pupils, school grounds, the community and teachers.
Suggestion Boxes	Pupils, school grounds, the community and teachers.	All School Council Members	Each school council member will create a suggestion box to place in their classes. Pupils can use this to make suggestions / share their ideas of how to improve the school, focusing on our new 4 main project areas.
KS2 Chill Out Tuesdays Club	Pupils	KS2 School Council Members	A lunchtime club held for pupils who just need a bit of chill time throughout the week. For the first half of the year, this will be run by KS2 school councillors and will be open to KS2 children.

Teacher Shout Outs	Teachers	Reception and KS1 Council Members	A token of appreciation for our teachers. Reception and Key Stage 1 pupils will choose a different teacher each week to receive a shout-out. This includes a message to say thank you for all their help and a little sweet treat. These are delivered 'secretly' by the team at lunch.
Anti-Bullying Week. Odd Sock Day. Odd Sock Competition.	Pupils	All School Council Members.	All councillors will discuss with their class that Anti-Bullying Week will take place between the 14 th and 18 th of November. They will also share that they would like all children to show their support by coming into school on Monday in a pair of odd/crazy socks. No donation needed. An 'odd sock' competition will also be held by councillors. All pupils will design a pair of crazy/odd socks which will be judged by the council team.
Save Energy Signs	School Grounds	All School Council Members	When thinking about how we could help to make the school 'greener' and save energy, the council team discussed that as a school, we waste a lot of energy by leaving lights and monitors on all day. It was decided that the team would create signs to help remind people to switch off their lights and monitors when they leave the classroom at times such as break and lunch, to help save some energy.

Adopting a Sea Turtle	Community	All School Council Members	The council team have adopted a sea turtle from the Olive Ridley Project. Their mission is to help save injured sea turtles and remove plastic ghost nets from the oceans. As part of the adoption, we have been given a toy turtle. Council members will take turns in looking after this in their class. Whilst looking after this, they will discuss the adoption, the Olive Ridley project and if there are any other ways in which they could help save the turtles. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EXI1f_gDOYQ&list=TLGGSu5lJd92CgYxMjExMjAyMg&t=46s https://oliveridleyproject.org/
Saving the Oceans	Community	All School Council Members	Just after the council started their sea turtle adoption, school received a 'Mission Oceans' invention book from the Little Inventors. This book is all about getting us to think about how we could help save the oceans through creating weird and wonderful inventions. The council team thought this would match perfectly with their sea turtle mission and so decided this book would also be passed round the classrooms – children will read this together and come up with innovative ideas on how they could help save the oceans!
Shed Monitors	Pupils / School Grounds	All School Council Members	Off the back of suggestions around play equipment, the school council team decided that they would like to help look after the store better by becoming "shed monitors". At the end of every breaktime and lunchtime they will monitor the shed to ensure things get put away correctly and neatly. They have also made badges for themselves too!

National Story Telling Week Competition	Pupils	All School Council Members.	To help promote National Storytelling Week (30 th Jan – 6 th Feb), the councillors have decided to hold a storytelling competition. Pupils have been asked by the team to write a story (true or made-up) which will then be put through to judging. The winners will receive a small prize and have their story read out across the assemblies during National Storytelling Week.
Foodbank Donation	Community	All School Council Members.	A child in school approached school council looking for help with donations for the local foodbank. The council team got together to make posters and spread the word to their classes. We will be taking donations between now and half-term.
Worry Boxes (CMHW)	Pupils	All School Council Members.	To help support pupil's mental health at school, worry boxes have been created. If pupils have a worry, they can write it down and post it in these boxes for adults to read and help them with. It is school council's job to keep on top of the running of these boxes. They must ensure slips and pencils are always there for worries to be written and, that the boxes get delivered to a teacher each week to be checked.
Big Battery Hunt	Community	All School Council Members.	The council team have entered the school into Duracell's Big Battery Hunt 2023. Duracell are asking schools to try and recycle as many batteries as possible by June 23 rd in order to help make our planet greener and cleaner. The whole council team will be encouraging all pupils and staff between now and then to get recycling together! All batteries collected will be counted and dropped off at a local recycling point.

Pancake Day Treat	N/A	All School Council Members	Not a project... just a treat! As a thank you to our school council members for all the hard work they've done so far this year, they were treated so some pancakes at their meeting on pancake day!
Reception and KS1 Chill Out Tuesday Club	Pupils	Reception and KS1 School Council Members	After a successful first half of the year with KS2, Chill Out Tuesday has been swapped to allow Reception and KS1 pupils to attend. This is a lunchtime club held for pupils who just need a bit of chill time throughout the week.
International Women's Day Class Assemblies.	Pupils	All School Council Members	As part of International Women's Day, the school council team will be taking some time to deliver mini assemblies to their class. Here they will discuss what the day is all about and why it is so important.
World Poetry Day Competition	Pupils	All School Council Members	To help promote World Poetry Day (21 st March), the councillors have decided to hold a poetry writing competition. Pupils have been asked by the team to write a poem which will then be put through to judging. The winners will receive a small prize.

Earth Day 2023	Community	All School Council Members.	To help promote Earth Day, the school council team will be taking some time to deliver mini assemblies to their class. Here they will discuss what the day is all about and why it is so important. They will also be asking their class to come up with 1 thing that they will work together to do, in order to help the Earth. Each classes idea will be put together to create a 'Tranmere Pledge' towards creating a better Earth.
Recycled Bird Feeders	School Grounds / Community	All School Council Members	After helping promote Earth Day, school council have been keen to do more to help our planet, particularly through helping the wildlife. This week, we have had a go at creating our very own recycled bird feeders to hang up around the school grounds.
Invitation to meet the Lord Mayor of Leeds.	N/A	All School Council Members	On Wednesday 3rd May, School Council were invited to Leeds Civic Hall to meet the Lord Mayor of Leeds. After getting the train from Guiseley to Leeds, they started their day at Leeds Central Library. Here they learned all about the library, had a tour (even to places off limits to the public) and then took part in a Lego story-making task. After a picnic in Millennium square, they then headed to the Civic Hall. Here they were given a grand tour of the building and silverware, which finished in the Council Room, where they sat down with the Lord Mayor himself for a Q&A session. They asked the Mayor lots of interesting and important questions! For their fantastic behaviour, the Mayor then invited them for tea and biscuits!

The Little Inventors, Invention Month Challenge.	Pupils	All School Council Members	May is inventors Month. The Little Inventors are running a challenge called 'What's Your Problem?'. It requires you to invent something to solve one of the following three problems...1. Invent something to stop a seagull taking your food at the beach. 2. Invent something to help you reach things that are high up. 3. Invent cutlery that is easier to use and can't be dropped. The inventor of the winning idea will win a £100 voucher for their school to spend on supplies and resources of the school's choosing, plus their own copy of the Little Inventors Handbook signed by Chief Inventor Dominic Willcox, plus a personalised feedback video from a member of the Little Inventors team! If pupils would like to enter, they need to get a design sheet from their class councillor and hand it back in to them before Friday 26th May.
Walk to School Week Challenge	Pupils	All School Council Members	As part of Walk to School Week (15th-19th May), School Council are holding a 'Walk to School' challenge. They're asking all pupils to try and walk to school as much as they can. The class who completes the most walking will win a special treat!
Seagulls Paint Recycling Challenge	Pupils / Community	All School Council Members	School Council have been keen to do more to help the environment, so have asked the school to get involved in Seagulls Paint Challenge. Seagulls are asking children in Leeds to count how many spare tins of paint they have lying around their home, and then to submit it in their challenge portal. The school with the most entries are in with the chance of being selected to get involved in designing and painting a giant mural in Leeds City Centre.

Aldi 'Get Set to Eat Fresh' Lorry Competition	Pupils/ School/ Community	All School Council Members	School Council have challenged pupils to get involved in Aldi's latest lorry competition. Aldi have teamed up with TeamGB and ParalympicsGB to ask children to design a lorry that promotes healthy eating. Entries will be judged by famous athletes and Aldi representatives, and the winner will get their design printed on the side of an Aldi lorry plus, vouchers and goody bags for both themselves and their school.
Thank You Day 2023	Community	All school Council Members	As part of 'Thank You Day', School Council have asked each class to choose one group of people they'd like to thank (nurses, carers etc.), then to take some time to make posters, cards, and letters to thank them. Once complete, School Council will post them off to some of those people around Leeds.
Picture News Countryside Code Competition	Community	All School Council Members	School Council have challenged pupils to get involved in Picture News' latest competition. Picture News have teamed up with Natural England (and Shaun the Sheep!) to launch a special poster competition. They are asking children to design a poster that promotes the Countryside Code (Respect, Protect and Enjoy) and, features Shaun the Sheep and his friends!
Pizza Express Trip	N/A	All School Council Members	Not a project... just a treat! As a thank you to our school council members for all their hard work this year, they spent the morning at Pizza Express, taking part in an authentic pizza making experience.